



## **BEARFACTS 1997 – 2007**

### **Decatur (MSA) [19460]**

Decatur is one of 363 Metropolitan Statistical Areas (MSAs) in the nation. Its 2007 population of 148,995 ranked 257th in the nation.

#### **PER CAPITA PERSONAL INCOME**

In 2007 Decatur had a per capita personal income (PCPI) of \$32,295. This PCPI ranked 209th in the United States and was 84 percent of the national average, \$38,615. The 2007 PCPI reflected an increase of 4.5 percent from 2006. The 2006-2007 national change was 4.9 percent. In 1997 the PCPI of Decatur was \$21,220 and ranked 232nd in the United States. The 1997-2007 average annual growth rate of PCPI was 4.3 percent. The average annual growth rate for the nation was 4.3 percent.

#### **TOTAL PERSONAL INCOME**

In 2007 Decatur had a total personal income (TPI) of \$4,811,734\*. This TPI ranked 249th in the United States. In 1997 the TPI of Decatur was \$3,033,527\* and ranked 254th in the United States. The 2007 TPI reflected an increase of 5.4 percent from 2006. The 2006-2007 national change was 6.0 percent. The 1997-2007 average annual growth rate of TPI was 4.7 percent. The average annual growth rate for the nation was 5.4 percent.

#### **COMPONENTS OF TOTAL PERSONAL INCOME**

Total personal income includes net earnings by place of residence; dividends, interest, and rent; and personal current transfer receipts received by the residents of Decatur. In 2007 net earnings accounted for 67.5 percent of TPI (compared with 68.5 in 1997); dividends, interest, and rent were 14.4 percent (compared with 15.4 in 1997); and personal current transfer receipts were 18.1 percent (compared with 16.1 in 1997). From 2006 to 2007 net earnings increased 3.1 percent; dividends, interest, and rent increased 14.1 percent; and personal current transfer receipts increased 7.8 percent. From 1997 to 2007 net earnings increased on average 4.6 percent each year; dividends, interest, and rent increased on average 4.0 percent; and personal current transfer receipts increased on average 6.0 percent.

#### **EARNINGS BY PLACE OF WORK**

Earnings of persons employed in Decatur increased from \$3,059,391\* in 2006 to \$3,193,228\* in 2007, an increase of 4.4 percent. The 2006-2007 national change was 4.9 percent. The average annual growth rate from the 1997 estimate of \$2,030,285\* to the 2007 estimate was 4.6 percent. The average annual growth rate for the nation was 5.4 percent.

*\*Note: All income estimates with the exception of PCPI are in thousands of dollars, not adjusted for inflation.*

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